Chugach National Forest Resource Advisory Committee Application Information

Would you like to advise the Forest Service on projects that protect and enhance the outstanding natural resources of your National Forest? If so, the Chugach National Forest invites you to apply for a Resource Advisory Committee (RAC)! The RACs will work collaboratively to advise the Forest on projects funded by the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act (Public Law 110-343). The Chugach National Forest hopes to form two new RACs: one spanning Prince William Sound, and another encompassing the roads and railways that connect the Kenai Peninsula with Anchorage.

Any Alaska resident may apply to serve on a RAC. Committee members will be appointed for a term of four years and must be willing to attend several meetings each year. Each RAC will be balanced and diverse with equal representation from a variety of interests. Specifically, the composition of each RAC is to be balanced according to the following three categories identified in the Act:

Category A: (five regular members and one replacement) who represent one or more of the following interests:

- Organized labor or non-timber forest product harvester groups;
- Developed outdoor recreation, off highway vehicle users, or commercial recreation activities;
- Energy and mineral development interests; or commercial or recreational fishing interests;
- Commercial timber industry; or
- Hold Federal grazing or other land use permits, or represent nonindustrial private forest land.

Category B: (five regular members and one replacement) who represent one or more of the following interests:

- Nationally recognized environmental organizations;
- Regionally or locally recognized environmental organizations;
- Dispersed recreational activities;
- Archaeological and historical interests; or
- Nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups, wildlife or hunting organizations, or watershed associations.

Category C: (five regular members and one replacement) who represent one or more of the following interests:

- Hold State elected office (or a designee);
- Hold county or local elected office:
- Represent American Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the committee is organized;
- Are school officials or teachers; or
- Represent the affected public at large.

Individuals who are interested in serving on a RAC should complete the following form. Candidates will be evaluated on their demonstrated commitment to collaborative decision-making, their training and experience as it relates to the background interest represented, and their contribution to the balance and diversity of the RAC.

Applications are due **May 1** and may be returned to Heather Gott, RAC Coordinator, by fax at (907) 743-9477, or by mail to the Chugach National Forest, attn: Heather Gott, 3301 C St., Suite 300, Anchorage Alaska, 99503. If you have questions or would like more information, contact Heather at 743-9505 or hgott@fs.fed.us.





Chugach National Forest Resource Advisory Committee: Application Cover Sheet

This cover sheet will give us an opportunity to learn about your interests and experience. The attached form will be sent to the Department of Agriculture for a required background check.

 Please indicate whether you interested in serving on the Prince William Sound RAC or the Kenai/Anchorage RAC: 			
Prince William Sound			
Category A:	Category B:	Category C:	
□ Organized labor or nontimber forest product harvester groups; □ Developed outdoor recreation, off highway vehicle users, or commercial recreation activities; □ Energy and mineral development interests; or commercial or recreational fishing interests; □ Commercial timber industry; or □ Hold Federal grazing or other land use permits, or represent nonindustrial private forest land.	Nationally recognized environmental organizations; Regionally or locally recognized environmental organizations; Dispersed recreational activities; Archaeological and historical interests; or Nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups, wildlife or hunting organizations, or watershed associations.	 ☐ Hold State elected office (or a designee); ☐ Hold county or local elected office; ☐ Represent American Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the committee is organized; ☐ Are school officials or teachers; or ☐ Represent the affected public at large. 	

3. Finally, complete the attached form AD-755. Use the continuation sheet at the end of Form AD-755 to explain your qualifications and experience in the categories and interests checked above. We encourage you to submit a resume with your application. Some questions, such as number 10, relate to farming and are not relevant to your participation in a Forest Service Resource Advisory Committee. For those questions, please answer N/A.

If there is anything else you think we should know about you and your potential contribution to the RAC, please use the back of this sheet.

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United States Department of Agriculture

ADVISORY COMMITTEE OR RESEARCH AND PROMOTION BACKGROUND INFORMATION

[Chugach National Forest Resource Advisory Committee]

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Public Laws 95-113 and 93-579 permit collection of the data requested on this form. The information is used to determine qualifications, suitability and availability for service on advisory committees or research and promotion boards/councils. The information will be used to conduct background clearances and/or for annual reports on advisory committees or research and promotion boards/councils. Failure to submit this information may result in non-selection of a prospective advisory committee member, board/council member or termination of the committee or board/council.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE

1. Name (Last, First, Middle)	2. Social Security Number
3. Residence Address (include ZIP code)	4. Business No.
	Home No:
	FAX:
	e-Mail Address:
5. Place of Birth	6. Date of Birth
7. Company/Business Name	
8. Company/Business Address (include ZIP Code)	9. Occupation/Title
10. [Insert appropriate commodity question(s) from supplemental list.	To be completed by R&P Board Members Only

10a. If applicable, how long have you been engaged in farming or production, and what is the size of your farming operation. (i.e. List acreage and pounds produced by kind of crop, as well as, kinds and numbers of livestock?)

11. List your business experience.	
12. List education and any specialized experience.	
 List applicable farm/handler/producer/importer or co-op member industry of member or officer and how long affiliated). 	organizations (include whether a
14. List other affiliations and/or service as a community leader that would ben of the advisory committee or research and promotion board/council.	efit you in your role as a member
15. List any Federal advisory committee or board on which you are currently a years you have served on that committee or board. (To be completed by Advisory)	
16. List sources of income in excess of \$10,000 for the past calendar year from employment. List only sources; do not show amounts of income from each Advisory Committees Only)	
17. Have you ever been convicted of a felony? (A felony is defined as any violimprisonment of longer than one year). ☐Yes ☐No. If yes, please explain continuation sheet.	
18. As a result of your participation in Federal programs, have any judgments been rendered against you? As a result of participation in any governmental programs relative to the purposes of the advisory committee or research and promotion board/council for which you are a nominee, have any civil or criminal actions been initiated against you? ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, please explain on the attached continuation sheet.	
19. Name as you would prefer it to appear on official correspondence. (To be co	ompleted by R&P Board Members Only)
Signature	Date

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Continuation Sheet for Form AD-755

If you need more space for an answer, use this sheet. Please number each answer to correspond to the number on Form AD-755. When you have completed your answer(s), attach to Form AD-755.

[INSERT COMMODITY BOARD, COUNCIL, OR DELEGATE NAME]

Name (Last, First, Middle)	
Social Security Number:	